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SUBJECT: ASSESSMENT OF SAG VIEWS ON CHANGING SITUATION
NORTH OF BORDER

1. RAPIDLY CHANGING SITUATION NORTH OF SOUTH AFRICA'S
BORDER, PARTICULARLY IN MOZAMBIQUE AND RHODESIA, IS OF
OBVIOUS CONCERN TO SOUTH AFRICA AS EMBASSY'S REPORTING
HAS REFLECTED. DEPARTMENT WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY'S
ASSESSMENT OF FACTORS NOW BEING CONSIDERED BY SA POLICY
MAKERS; THEIR RELATIVE IMPORTANCE; DIVERGENT VIEWS
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AMONG POLICY MAKING ELEMENTS; THEIR RELATIVE STRENGTHS;
AND POSSIBLE ACTIONS BEING CONTEMPLATED BY SOUTH AFRICA.

2. FYI: AMBASSADOR BOTHA TOLD EASUM HE FORESAW INDEPENDENT
BLACK MOZAMBIQUE SOONER OR LATER. HE WAS CONFIDENT SOUTH
AFRICA WOULD COME TO TERMS WITH SUCH A DEVELOPMENT. HE
ADMITTED SOME POSSIBILITY OF MOVE BY WHITES IN MOZAMBIQUE
TO PUSH FOR PARTITION, BUT HE DID NOT APPEAR TO BE PER-
SONALLY ATTRACTED TO THE CONCEPT. NOR DID HE BELIEVE
MOZAMBICANS UNFRIENDLY TO SOUTH AFRICA WOULD ATTEMPT TO
TAMPER WITH RAIL
OR OTHER TRANSPORT LINKS TO SOUTH AFRICA
FROM LOURENCO MARQUES. ALTHOUGH ADMITTING POSSIBILITY OF
IRRATIONAL ACTION IN ANY POLITICALLY VOLATILE SITUATION HE
SAID MOZAMBIQUE BADLY NEEDED INCOME FROM HANDLING SOUTH
AFRICAN TRADE THROUGH LOURENCO MARQUES AND WOULD NOT LIGHTLY
ENGAGE IN MISCHIEF. BESIDES SOUTH AFRICA WOULD SOON HAVE
ALTERNATIVE OF RICHARDS BAY. END FYI. RUSH UNQUOTE
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